

EV Power - Lab 4 Project Report

Example Solution 1

Part 0: libraries

```
library(sf)
```

Linking to GEOS 3.13.0, GDAL 3.8.5, PROJ 9.5.1; sf_use_s2() is TRUE

```
library(rnaturalearth)
library(rnaturalearthhires)
library(tidyverse)
```

```
— Attaching core tidyverse packages ————— tidyverse 2.0.0
—
✓ dplyr      1.1.4      ✓ readr      2.1.5
✓ forcats    1.0.1      ✓ stringr    1.5.2
✓ ggplot2    4.0.0      ✓ tibble     3.3.0
✓ lubridate  1.9.4      ✓ tidyr      1.3.1
✓ purrr      1.1.0
```

```
— Conflicts ————— tidyverse_conflicts()
—
* dplyr::filter() masks stats::filter()
* dplyr::lag()     masks stats::lag()
i Use the conflicted package (<http://conflicted.r-lib.org/>) to force all
conflicts to become errors
```

```
library(stringr)
```

Part 1: Defining Research Question

Chosen Question: What type of renewable energy is most dominant in each state in 2023?

Part 2: Data Preparation and Cleaning

```
renew_use_2023 <- read_csv("./data/renew-use-2023.csv")
```

Rows: 260 Columns: 3
— Column specification

Delimiter: ","

chr (3): State, Energy_Source, Renewable_Use_2023

i Use `spec()` to retrieve the full column specification for this data.
i Specify the column types or set `show_col_types = FALSE` to quiet this message.

```
renew_use_2023 <- renew_use_2023 |>
  rename(state = State, energy_source = Energy_Source, renew_use =
Renewable_Use_2023) |>
  mutate(renewable_unit = str_extract(renew_use, "\\b[MGk]Wh\\b"), renew_use
= as.numeric(str_extract(renew_use, "\\d+\\.?\d*")))
head(renew_use_2023)
```

```
# A tibble: 6 × 4
  state energy_source renew_use renewable_unit
<chr> <chr>          <dbl> <chr>
1 AK    Biomass          3404 kWh
2 AK    Geothermal        186 <NA>
3 AK    Hydropower        6051 <NA>
4 AK    Solar Energy        67 <NA>
5 AK    Wind Energy        380 <NA>
6 AL    Biomass        189040 kWh
```

Part 3: Joining / Pivoting Datasets for Analysis

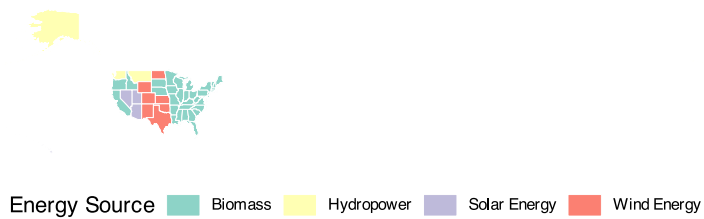
```
dominant_renew_2023 <- renew_use_2023 |>
  group_by(state) |>
  slice_max(order_by = renew_use, n = 1, with_ties = FALSE) |>
  ungroup()
head(dominant_renew_2023)
```

```
# A tibble: 6 × 4
  state energy_source renew_use renewable_unit
<chr> <chr>          <dbl> <chr>
1 AK    Hydropower        6051 <NA>
2 AL    Biomass        189040 kWh
3 Ar    Biomass        71311 <NA>
4 CA    Biomass        612607 <NA>
5 CO    Wind Energy        54903 <NA>
6 DC    Biomass         1984 <NA>
```

Part 4: Mapping Visualization

```
us_states <- ne_states(  
  country = "United States of America",  
  returnclass = "sf") |>  
  filter(!name_en %in% c("American Samoa", "Guam", "Northern Mariana  
Islands", "Puerto Rico", "United States Virgin Islands")) |>  
  mutate(state_key = tolower(name_en))  
  
state_key <- tibble(  
  state_full = tolower(state.name),  
  state_abbr = tolower(state.abb))  
  
dom_2023_std <- dominant_renew_2023 |>  
  mutate(state_raw = tolower(state)) |>  
  left_join(state_key, by = c("state_raw" = "state_abbr")) |>  
  mutate(state_key = coalesce(state_full, state_raw)) |>  
  select(-state_full)  
  
states_joined <- us_states |>  
  left_join(dom_2023_std, by = "state_key")  
  
ggplot() +  
  geom_sf(data = states_joined, aes(fill = energy_source), color = "white",  
  linewidth = 0.2) + scale_fill_brewer(palette = "Set3", na.value = "grey90") +  
  theme_minimal() +  
  theme(legend.position = "bottom", # move legend below map  
    legend.key.height = unit(0.4, "cm"), # shrink legend boxes  
    legend.text = element_text(size = 8),  
    panel.background = element_blank(),  
    axis.text = element_blank(),  
    axis.ticks = element_blank(),  
    panel.grid = element_blank()) +  
  labs(  
    title = "Dominant Renewable Energy Source by State (2023)",  
    fill = "Energy Source")
```

Dominant Renewable Energy Source by State (2023)



Part 5: Analysis

I created a map where each US State is color coded to its most dominant form of renewable energy in 2023. I noticed that renewable energy is dominant by region with a lot of biomass being used in the east and hydropower used in the north.